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configuration from the among the at least two switch configurations, the preferred switch configuration corresponding to the signal on the headset receive path with either a minimum or a maximum value; and automatically adjusting a gain of the headset transmit path to match a gain of the handset port transmit path.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the above preliminary amendment. By this preliminary amendment applicants have cancelled Claims 2-40 and added new Claims 43-63. Accordingly, after the above preliminary amendment Claims 1 and 43-63 are now pending.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims, as amended, are now in a condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, they are encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 833-0160 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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